FISCAL NOTE

HB 2755 - SB 3186

February 22, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits unlicensed teachers from teaching in grades K-3. Eliminates the use of licensed teacher waivers and unlicensed teacher permits for grades K-3.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- In school year 2006-07, there were 16,300 teachers in grades K-3. Of that number, 102 waivers and one permit were issued. According to the Department of Education, local education agencies will likely move teachers licensed for grades K-6 currently teaching in grades 4-6 down to K-3 and move the unlicensed K-3 teachers up to grades 4-6 and then apply for waivers or permits for those grades. Any cost to shift teachers from one grade to another is estimated to be not significant.
- No net increase in the number of teachers.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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